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SUBJ: DEPARTMENT PRESS BRIEFING

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EXCERPT FROM DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN'S PRESS BRIEFING
SEPTEMBER 4, 1973:

QUOTE: Q. THERE WAS A PUZZLING PRESS REPORT TO THE EFFECT
THAT ISRAEL AND THE UNITED STATES WILL SIGN AN AGREEMENT
FOR AN ESTIMATED \$220 MILLION EARLY THIS MONTH, SEPTEMBER,
FOR THE PURCHASE OF PHANTOMS AND SKYHAWKS. WHAT IS ALL
THIS ABOUT?

A. WE DON'T DISCUSS OUR ON-GOING MILITARY SUPPLY RELATION-
SHIP WITH ISRAEL.

Q. BUT IS THERE A SIGNING TAKING PLACE? I MEAN ABOUT THE
MEETING ITSELF, QUITE APART FROM SUBSTANCE OR THE AGREEMENT.

A. I DON'T HAVE ANYTHING TO SAY. END QUOTE. RUSH

NOTE BY OCT: POUCHED BAGHDAD AND SANAA.

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